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1. REFERENCES CROSSED.

2. IN MEANWHILE 21 SEPTEMBER NEW YORK TIMES ARRIVED  
 HERE, FYI 21 SEPTEMBER EDITION OF PRESTIGIOUS MEXICO CITY  
 DAILY "EXCELSIOR" CARRIED SUMMARY OF NEW YORK TIMES ARTICLE.

3. ACTUALLY "THE NEWS" VERSION IS THE MORE DAMAGING  
 ONE FROM OPERATIONAL AND LOCAL PUBLIC RELATIONS POINTS OF VIEW  
 BECAUSE OF PHRASE "IN THE COURSE OF THE CIA'S ROUTINE  
 MONITORING OF PHONE CALLS TO AND FROM THE SOVIET AND CUBAN  
 EMBASSIES IN MEXICO CITY." SEE REFERENCE B.

4. AT MISSION COUNCIL MEETING 22 SEPTEMBER AMBASSADOR  
 JOVA ISSUED INSTRUCTIONS THAT ANY QUESTIONS RELATING TO THE  
 ABOVE SHOULD BE ANSWERED WITH <sup>PHRASE</sup> ~~PHRASE~~ THAT "WE DO NOT CONFIRM,  
 DENY OR SPECULATE ON STORIES RELATING TO ALLEGED INTELLIGENCE  
 ACTIVITIES." AT SAME TIME JOVA ASKED POLITICAL SECTION TO SEND  
 MESSAGE TO STATE DEPARTMENT REQUESTING GUIDANCE TO ANSWER

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